

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RE: MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF
THE SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO.
MASS. R-56 AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCLAIM BY
CERTIFICATE THESE MINOR MODIFICATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on September 23, 1965 and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on December 6, 1965; and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said Plan entitled: "Modifications" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modifications do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Authority that the minor modification with respect to Parcel 12 is consistent with the objectives of the South End Urban Renewal Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of Chapter 30, Section 61 and 62 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, with respect to minimizing and preventing damage to the environment;

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Plan is a minor change and may be adopted within the discretion of the Authority pursuant to Section 1201 of said Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY THAT:

Pursuant to Section 1201 thereof of the South End Urban Renewal Plan, Mass R-56, be and hereby is amended by:

1. That Map No. 5, "Proposed Rights-of-way" is hereby modified by eliminating 220, 222, 224-6 West Newton Street and 84, 87, 89, 91 West Rutland Square.
2. That Map No. 1, "Property Map" is hereby modified by moving the boundary line of Parcel 12 from the southern property lines of 220 West Newton Street and 87 West Rutland Square to the southern boundary of the Penn Central Railroad right-of-way, and extend the boundary to include #87 West Rutland Square.
3. That the proposed is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan.

4. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continuing in full force and effect;

5. That it is hereby found and determined that the proposed development will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.

6. That the Director be and hereby is authorized to proclaim by certificate these minor modifications of the Plan, all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook, RHN 7207.1, circular dated June 3, 1970



EXISTING PARCEL 12

November 14, 1974

MEMORANDUM

TO: BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM: ROBERT T. KENNEY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT # MASS R-56
MINOR MODIFICATION OF URBAN RENEWAL PLAN
DISPOSITION PARCEL 12

SUMMARY: This memorandum requests that the Authority modify the South End Urban Renewal Plan by (1) changing the land use on 7 parcels from "Right-of-way" to "Playground"; (2) include these parcels in the Parcel 12 land area; and (3) authorize the Director to proclaim by certificate this Minor Modification.

On April 13, 1972 the Authority voted to change the use contained in the South End Urban Renewal Plan for Parcel 12 from "Residential" to "Playground" in response to the neighborhood need for outdoor recreation.

The State decision to eliminate the South End By-Pass allows the addition of 7 parcels adjacent to the park to be included in the overall design. These parcels were listed in the South End Urban Renewal Plan for use as a portion of the By-Pass right-of-way and include 220, 222, 224-6 West Newton Street and 84, 87, 89, 91 West Rutland Square. The properties are all cleared vacant land, containing approximately 19,000 square feet.

This memorandum requests that the permitted uses of 220, 222, 224-6 West Newton Street and 84, 87, 89, and 91 West Rutland Square be changed from "Proposed Right-of-Way" to "Playground". Also, it is requested that these 7 parcels be included within the Parcel 12 boundaries, in order to enlarge the Park

The proposed modifications described above are minor and do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan. These modifications may therefore be effected by vote of the Authority, pursuant to Section 1201 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan.

It is therefore recommended that the Authority adopt the attached resolution modifying the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area by changing the use of 7 parcels from "Right-of-Way" to "Playground" and changing the boundaries of Parcel 12 to include these parcels.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.